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RATCLIFFE'S RETURN TO BOOST ROOS

LOOK FOR
ASW ON
TUESDAY

NEXT week, AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY will be on sale on Tuesday.

This is because the majority of Olympic Airways NSL matches scheduled for next weekend will be played on the Queen's Birthday holiday Monday.

ASW, of course, will have full details of a big holiday weekend of soccer, which includes the final of the \$200,000 international series in Melbourne.

Watch for us on your news stand first thing Tuesday morning.

DAVID RATCLIFFE, Australia's World Cup central defender, was angry at having to miss last Saturday's international series match against Vasco da Gama at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Ratcliffe, 28, the St George sweeper, was dropped by national team manager Frank Arok after having three stitches inserted in a leg wound following a clash with Tottenham Hotspur right-back Danny Thomas in Melbourne last week.

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

When I spoke to Ratcliffe in the SCG dressing rooms immediately after Aus-

tralia's 1-0 loss to the Brazilians, he said angrily: "If I had to miss out every time I had an injury, I would never get a game."

Ratcliffe's presence was sorely missed against Vasco da Gama.

In the last three years he has completely neutralised world star strikers such as Juventus' Paolo Rossi, Manchester United's Mark Hughes, Nottingham Forest's Gary Birtles, England's Trevor Francis and Iraklis' Vassilis Hatzipanagis.

The Bradford (UK) born defender is Australia's enforcer and his comeback into the line-up next Wednesday night at Football Park in Adelaide against undefeated Italians, Udinese, will lift the Socceroos' overall performance.

Coming back into the Australian line-up as well on Wednesday night will be right midfielder Joe Watson.



DAVID RATCLIFFE (left) in action for Australia against Glasgow Rangers' John McDonald.

Midfielder Tommy McCulloch did not travel with Australia this morning when the team flew out of Sydney for Adelaide.

McCulloch was ruled unfit with a

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ACTION from Australia's loss to Vasco da Gama on Saturday, with Socceroo Graham Jennings challenged strongly by a Brazilian defender. SEE PAGE 3 for full reports on Australia's performances in the \$200,000 international series.



SCOREBOARD

NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

ROUND 13:

POSTPONED — Sydney Croatia v Wollongong City, Penrith City v Canberra City, Sydney City v Apia Leichhardt, Newcastle Rosebud v Marconi and Sydney Olympic v St George.

INTER MONARO 2 (Wilcox 2) BLACKTOWN CITY 1 (McKie) at Seiffert Oval. Crowd: 640.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney Croatia	12	8	3	1	30	13	19
Sydney City	11	8	1	2	24	12	17
Marconi	11	5	4	2	23	16	14
Blacktown City	13	6	2	5	21	14	14
Canberra City	12	4	4	4	18	17	12
Sydney Olympic	12	5	1	6	10	15	11
St George	11	3	4	4	11	11	10
Penrith City	12	3	4	5	16	17	10
Newcastle Rosebud	12	3	4	5	13	21	10
Apia Leichhardt	11	4	1	6	15	18	9
Inter Monaro	13	4	1	8	18	29	9
Wollongong City	12	3	1	8	16	31	7

NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

ROUND 13:

BRISBANE CITY 2 (Scriggins, Bromfield) ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Mullen) at Spencer Park. Crowd: 1,600.

GREEN GULLY 0 BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 2 (Sweeney 2) at Green Gully Reserve. Crowd: 1,000.

SOUTH MELBOURNE 3 (Brown 2, Egan) PRESTON 0 at Middle Park. Crowd: 2,000.

MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Campbell) SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 1 (Latif) at Olympic Park. Crowd: 1,599.

FOOTSCRAY 3 (Paton, Kodjo, Tapai) HEIDELBERG UNITED 3 (Tasios, Stevenson, Selemidis) at Schintler Reserve. Crowd: 1,500.

WEST ADELAIDE 5 (Price 3, Honeyman, Scott) BRISBANE LIONS 3 (Niven, J. Stewart, Wright) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 2,200.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South Melbourne	13	8	3	2	24	14	19
Brunswick Juve	13	7	4	2	20	12	18
Heidelberg Utd	13	6	4	3	21	13	16
Melbourne Croatia	13	6	4	3	15	9	16
West Adelaide	13	5	3	5	19	19	13
Brisbane City	13	5	2	5	19	19	12
Sunshine GC	13	3	6	4	11	13	12
Preston	13	5	2	6	17	20	12
Brisbane Lions	13	4	3	5	10	13	11
Green Gully	13	3	4	6	11	15	10
Adelaide City	13	3	4	6	17	22	10
Footscray	13	2	1	10	13	28	5

NSL TOP SCORERS

NORTHERN DIVISION

10 — Patikas (S. Cro)
9 — Arnold (S. Cro)
8 — Jankovics (M)
6 — Farina (S. City),
5 — McKie (BC), O'Connor (BC), Colagiuri (LA), Brown (M), Gomez (S. City)

SOUTHERN DIVISION

11 — Egan (SM)
9 — Price (WA)
8 — Stevenson (H)
6 — Sweeney (BJ), Smith (P), Latif (SGC)
5 — Reis (BC), Lewis (GG), Ward (MC), Cole (P), Brown (SM)

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NSL YOUTH LEAGUE

INTER MONARO 5 (Dachs 2, Goffetelli 25, 88, Rush 40, Gagetti 78), BLACKTOWN CITY 3 (Hormazabal 37, Bower 47, Quarby 57) at Seiffert Oval.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wollongong City	12	9	0	3	25	16	18
Canberra City	11	7	3	1	24	14	17
Sydney City	10	5	3	2	28	9	13
Newcastle Rosebud	11	6	1	4	17	12	13
Apia Leichhardt	11	5	3	3	17	13	13
St George	10	5	2	3	19	18	12
Inter Monaro	13	5	2	6	22	32	12
Al's	8	3	3	2	21	16	9
Sydney Croatia	12	2	5	5	19	22	9
Blacktown City	12	3	2	7	20	28	8
Penrith City	13	3	2	8	17	31	8
Marconi	10	1	5	4	15	18	7
Sydney Olympic	13	1	5	7	14	29	7

NSW STATE LEAGUE

	1st	2nd	3rd
Fairy Meadow v Avala	1-0	3-3	0-2
Manly W'gah v Polonia	4-2	3-2	
Ku-ring-gai v Warringah N'been	1-0	1-2	
Rockdale Ilinden v Parramatta Melita	1-1	0-2	
Cant M'ville Oly v Sutherland Shire	2-1		

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Parramatta Melita	9	6	3	0	21	5	15
Avala	9	4	4	1	14	6	12
Fairy Meadow	8	5	2	1	12	5	12
Ku-ring-gai	8	4	3	1	11	6	11
Canterbury-M'ville	9	3	3	3	17	16	9
Sutherland	7	3	2	2	12	8	8
Rockdale Ilinden	8	2	4	2	9	9	8
Manly Warringah	7	3	2	2	10	8	8
Uruguay Auburn	7	1	3	3	6	11	5
Warringah N'been	7	1	1	5	2	14	3
Polonia	7	0	1	6	4	14	1
Bankstown National	6	0	0	6	1	13	0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bathurst '75 v SSC Yugal	2-1	3-1					
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W'gong Macedonia	6	5	1	0	12	2	11
Blacktown United	6	5	0	1	16	5	10
Campbelltown City	6	4	0	2	10	5	8
Queens Park	5	3	1	1	11	4	7
Bathurst '75	7	2	3	2	15	11	7
Gladesville Hby	6	3	1	2	7	8	7
North Bankstown	6	3	0	3	9	4	6
Yugal	7	2	2	3	15	11	6
Artarmon	6	2	2	2	9	9	6
Dee Why	6	1	1	4	4	14	3
Penrith United	6	0	2	4	5	20	2
Canterbury & Dist	5	0	1	4	2	23	1

	1st	0-1	2-4
Granville Dist v Kingsford			

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kingsford	8	3	5	0	17	11	11
North Ryde	7	5					



ABOVE: ZARKO ODZAKOV closes in on a Vasco da Gama player during Saturday's international at the SCG. At right is Odzakov's Socceroo team-mate Oscar Crino.

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has prevented him from appearing in Australia's international series matches.

It is imperative that Australia beats Udinese on Wednesday night to cement a position in next Sunday's final at the MCG to shoot for the \$100,000 first prize.

After two rounds of the international series, Udinese are outright favourites for the final, but don't write off Australia.

The return of Ratcliffe and Watson will greatly bolster Australia's hopes and captain John Kosmina is due to hit top form back in his home town.

Kosmina and Sydney Olympic's dynamic striker Marshall Soper — the man who stopped Spurs — are Australia's two non-nonsense front-runners with an unyielding drive to cut into any defence confronting them.

However, Soper and Kosmina need back-up from their midfielders inside the box if they are to do their job correctly.

Australia was a little more than unlucky against Vasco and in fact should have won the match.

Such Australian generosity will not be on offer to the Italians in Adelaide, and Farina could possibly come on much earlier in the second half to supply width, pace and penetration for the Green and Gold.

PATIKAS, MURPHY DO BEST

AUSTRALIA 0 VASCO DA GAMA 1

JIMMY PATIKAS and Kenny Murphy proved their worth in Australia's midfield as the Socceroos lost 1-0 to Vasco da Gama at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

The most disappointing thing for Sydney fans was that Australia did enough to draw or win the match.

However, their finishing inside the Brazilians' penalty area was woeful.

Murphy was outstanding and played some very good through-balls from the left side of midfield until he was replaced by Frank Farina with 16 minutes to go.

Patikas, promoted to the starting line-up, made some strong bursts on the right side, particularly in the second half.

Vasco's goal which eventually won them the match was scored by much-vaunted striker Roberto Dinamite in the 15th minute.

Romulo pumped a speculative ball upfield from within his own half which went over Socceroo centre-back Steve O'Connor's head. Dinamite exploded a low shot that goalkeeper Terry Greedy, despite getting a touch, could not prevent reaching the net.

Australia seemed unable to break the tight marking of the Brazilian defenders in the first half, and they missed the control of Dave Ratcliffe (who was rested) in the centre of the midfield.

Just after half-time a through-ball was played into the path of Marshall Soper, who was pushed off the ball and went sprawling inside the penalty area.

However, referee Peter Rampley rather con-

BY BRAD EARL

tentiously ruled that the offence was committed outside the box.

From then on it was a story of missed opportunities as the Socceroos held possession for long periods.

There were two golden chances, one which was hit wide by Marshall Soper from 13 metres. John Kosmina, following up, seemed annoyed with Soper for not leaving the shot for him.

The other chance fell for Murphy on the six-yard line after a cross from the right, but he miscued his left-foot shot across the goalmouth.

A frustrating feature of the Socceroos' play was that virtually every corner-kick or free-kick they won was cleared with ease by the strong Vasco defence.

At set-piece moves, more was expected of Zarko Odzakov, who had a quiet debut for Australia.

Man of the match: KENNY MURPHY for his fine build-ups and hard work in the Australian midfield.

AUSTRALIA: Greedy; Gomez, Jennings, Yankos, S. O'Connor; Patikas, Odzakov, Crino, Murphy (Farina 74); Soper, Kosmina.

VASCO DA GAMA: Acacio, Donato, Nel, Nene, Vitor, Ivan, Mauricio, Gilberto, Claudio Jose, Roberto Dinamite, Romulo (Romario 68).

REFEREE: P. Rampley.

CROWD: 13,004.

A GAME GERRY WON'T FORGET IN A HURRY

AUSTRALIA 1 TOTTENHAM 0

GERRY GOMEZ will never forget his international debut for Australia against Spurs at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in the \$200,000 international series.

It was Gerry's misfortune to be looking after the best player in Spurs team, little left winger Alistair Dick.

Nobody knew better than Gomez how tough it was.

After the match, the big Sydney City Costa Rican said: "One minute Dick would be in front of me with the ball, then he was behind me, still with the ball.

"What a player. I shall remember the name Ally Dick for the rest of my life."

Yet despite Gomez's problems, the Socceroos came through with a magnificent 1-0 victory and, although there were kind words from manager Peter Shreeves and international goalkeeper Ray Clemence at the after-match press conference, Tottenham were angry and upset about being beaten by a bunch of football nobodies.

It was one of Australia's most memorable wins because,

DICK AND MIKE HAZARD were Spurs' top performers.

Marshall Soper took the goalscoring honours when he burst through the middle, a vital half-a-metre ahead of his markers to slip the ball perfectly past Clemence in the 30th minute.

Man of the match: as Spurs boss Shreeves emphasised, **TERRY GREEDY** saved two or three certain goals and had a marvellous game.

AUSTRALIA: Greedy; Gomez, Jennings, Yankos, S. O'Connor; Patikas, Odzakov, Crino, Murphy (Farina 74); Soper, Kosmina.

TOTTENHAM: Clemence; Thomas, Bowen, Roberts, Miller (Culverhouse 75), Mabbett, Ardiles, Hazard (Crook 75); Falco, Leworthy, Dick.

REFEREE: S. Mellings.

CROWD: 20,500.



GERRY GOMEZ

SPURS CRASH OUT

UDINESE.....2 TOTTENHAM.....0

UDINESE, the Italian side in the \$200,000 international series, sent England's Tottenham Hotspur crashing out of contention with a 2-0 win at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Central striker Andy Carnavale nailed Spurs in the very first minute of the match with a solo effort to score before the men from White Hart Lane had warmed up.

Udinese, the Mediterranean Marvels, sealed the match in the 68th minute with a magnificent piece of work inside the Spurs box from Brazilian guest player Marcelo.

Marcelo raced into the box after latching onto a through-ball knocked in by linkman Gerolino.

With Spurs captain, tough-man Graham

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

Roberts, coming across to block, no danger was apparent.

But Marcelo spun Roberts twice, sending him the wrong way before flashing his close-range hit rocketing past former England goalkeeper Ray Clemence.

This goal brightened Udinese's hopes of cracking the \$100,000 first prize in the tournament with three points from two matches.

Udinese had full control of the match as

Spurs seemed stranded and failed to halt deep inroads made by the Italians.

The second session became a little heated but referee Richard Lorenc did a good job not to let it get out of hand.

Unless Australia blocks Udinese on Wednesday night in Adelaide, the Italians will march straight into the final to be played at the MCG on Sunday.

After two rounds, Udinese look the part to be eventual winners of the international series.



TOTTENHAM midfielder Mike Hazard challenges a Udinese opponent during Saturday's international series match at the SCG. Spurs lost 2-0.



UDINESE defenders are caught in one line as Mark Falco of Spurs attempts a shot during the big match at the SCG.

JOHNSTON STAYS ON AT 'POOL

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

CRAIG JOHNSTON, Australia's rugged midfielder, has had an understandable change of heart and signed again for Liverpool.

Johnston, who never got on with manager Joe Fagan, re-signed for the mighty Reds after Fagan retired last week.

Johnston had requested a transfer but newly-appointed player-manager Kenny Dalglish was able to talk Johnston into withdrawing his transfer request on Friday night.

The appointment of Dalglish, 34, as the new Liverpool manager has surprised the world of soccer.

He will be the youngest manager at Anfield for 40 years.

The Liverpool board of directors have appointed former manager Bob Paisley as Dalglish's consultant.



KENNY DALGLISH

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NOTHING SPECIAL IN OPENING GAME

BY DAVID JACK

VASCO DA GAMA and Udinese, who played the early match on the first night of the international series in Melbourne, were nothing to write home about.

For much of the game they played like useful NSL sides, confining flashes of brilliance only to the odd occasion.

Such a moment was seen when Mauricio put the Brazilians a goal in front with a magnificent floated shot from at least 30 metres range two minutes after half-time.

VASCO DA GAMA.....

UDINESE.....

The experienced Carnavale equalised 20 minutes later when Vasco goalkeeper Roberto Costa made an amateurish attempt to reach the Italian's header after a corner-kick.

Udinese's best player was Massimo Mauro and it was no surprise when he was invited to sign for mighty Juventus for \$3,500,000 the day after this match.

The 1-1 draw was a fair result from two teams who certainly did not have full-strength line-ups on show at the MCG.

NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION ROUND-UP

SOUTH HOLD TOP SPOT

SOUTH MELBOURNE consolidated their position on top of the Southern Division of the National League with a convincing 3-0 win over struggling Preston at Olympic Park.

In a display of sheer determination and unmatchable aggression, South Melbourne dominated the game throughout and experienced no difficulty in disposing of a troubled opponent.

Doug Brown put South Melbourne in the lead after 18 minutes and the teams went for the break with South leading 1-0.

Coach Len McKendry's hungry strikers Brown and Charlie Egan went on a rampage in the second half.

Egan scored the second goal only three minutes into the second half, dispelling any hopes of a Preston recovery.

Brown scored the third goal in the 72nd minute with a spectacular back kick to cap a great day's performance.

At Schintler Reserve, Footscray also displayed signs of recovery, holding Heidelberg United to a 3-3 draw.

The arrival of new recruits Jadranko Kodjo and Luka Bonacic lifted the Footscray side which produced its best performance of the season.

Footscray surprised their opponents with two quick goals from Jamie Paton and Kodjo in the first 10 minutes of the game.

Heidelberg came into the game after 16 minutes when Steve Tasios beat McLeod on the run and sliced the ball into the net.

Footscray persevered and before the break increased their lead to 3-1 through Ernie Tapai.

BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

Heidelberg paid their account in the second half with goals coming from Stuart Stevenson and captain Theo Selemidis.

MELBOURNE CROATIA AND SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS played a 1-1 draw at Olympic Park and gave signs of their present inability to stabilise performances.

Melbourne Croatia went into the lead with a Jim Campbell goal but Sunshine George Cross came back to level through Ossie Latif.

Brunswick Juventus recorded a spectacular 2-0 win over Green Gully, a week after a miserable defeat by West Adelaide.

Juventus striker Joe Sweeney scored both goals and enabled his team to maintain its challenge to the leaders South Melbourne.



CHARLIE EGAN: second goal.

ARDILES NOW A 'SAINT'

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

OSSIE ARDILES, Argentina's 1978 World Cup midfield general, will become a "Saint" next Monday when he pulls on a St George shirt to go out and play against Marconi in the Olympic Airways National Soccer League clash.

Ardiles comes to the St George Stadium straight from London's White Hart Lane as coach Frank Arok has signed the Tottenham genius to make a guest appearance for St George.

Ardiles was released by Tottenham's manager Peter Shreeves to Saints providing the club took a hefty insurance cover on him.

How will Robbie Slater feel about giving up his No 7 shirt to the Argentinian aristocrat?

"It will be my pleasure to let Ossie have my shirt, BUT as long as I get another number less than 12," the red-headed flanker told ASW.

St George, desperate for goals this year, hope that Ardiles' presence will inject some inspiration and confidence against Les Scheinflug's visiting Marconi side.

St George manager-coach Frank Arok said last night: "To have Ardiles appearing at the St George Stadium is a great honour as he has endeared himself to soccer fans all over the world.

"It is something more than a coup that my club has been able to get this magnificent player's service for this match."

Arok continued: "After the game, we have arranged special South American entertainment at our social club in Mortdale where all soccer fans are invited to meet the great Ossie Ardiles.

"It will be a chance of a lifetime and my team, assistant Frank Lang and myself are quite excited about the whole matter," Arok stated.

But Marconi's midfield trio of Ian Gray, Craig Mason and Peter Tredinnick will make no special allowances for the Argentine.

Marconi captain Tony Henderson said last night: "It will be a great opportunity to see Ardiles play against us, but despite this honour, we want the points. His appearance will make our task only just that little more tougher."



ROBBIE SLATER: changing shirts.

ST GEORGE v MARCONI



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EDITORIAL**JIMMY'S
A HERO
WITH
CROATIA**

THERE is a tremendous feeling of expectation in the midst of Sydney Croatia's supporters whenever Jimmy Patikas gets the ball.

For when Croatia break into attack, anything can happen. And with Graham Arnold and Patikas working up a fine front-line combination, the fans are kept on their toes.

This pair burst through in attack like two strapping thoroughbreds storming to the line at Randwick.

They are fit, young, fast strikers with great match-winning ability, ably supported by the skills of Zarko Odzakov, Marjan Kovacic and Zeljko Jurin.

Patikas has been a big success with Croatia, and celebrated a call-up to the Socceroo squad for the current international series.

Yet when news broke of his move to Croatia in the summer, many people thought he had jumped out of the frying pan and into the fire.

At the end of last season, Patikas was clearly unhappy at Sydney Olympic and wanted to get away. However, his move to Croatia was viewed as a risky one.

A number of big-name players have joined Croatia with high hopes, only to drift out of contention for a first team place.

Kenny Boden was the most recent example, having been signed from Sydney City last season.

Boden was a flop with his new club and was transfer-listed at the end of last season. He finished up moving to the comparative obscurity of the Western Australian State League this year.

The Croatian supporters pay big money to their players and quite rightly expect the players to pay them back on the park.

So here was Patikas, a star youngster who had struggled for form with Olympic last season. Croatia outlaid a \$25,000 transfer fee for him and obviously a lot was expected, if not demanded, of him.

It was a gamble on Patikas' part, but he has relished the challenge and has fitted into coach Vedran Rozic's championship plans to perfection.

In doing so he has won the admiration of the club's supporters.

On the form he has shown this year, Patikas should be a key player when Australia bid for a place in the World Cup Finals at the end of the year.



CHIT CHAT

ARRANGEMENTS have been finalised for Canberra City Olympians' 18-year-old starlet **MANIS LAMOND** to train in Brazil with leading Rio-based club Botafogo during the Australian off-season.

The trip, part of Lamond's contract with the national capital club, should be of enormous benefit to arguably the country's most exciting young talent.

Lamond will leave early October and return just before Christmas.

During his stay he will be under the direction of Professor **WILLIAM LAWSON**, Botafogo's highly-respected youth coach.



MIKE CARLTON's "Friday News Review" on Sydney radio is deservedly rated one of the best things on air.

Last Friday, however, Carlton plummeted to the depths of bad taste when he tried to wring a barrel of laughs out of the terrible soccer tragedy in Brussels.

There are some things, even in these permissive days, which should be exempt from smart satirists.

ASW's **KEN HEALEY** and Canberra director **THEO MOULIS** will be two of many making the trip south to Melbourne for the wedding of former Canberra and current Heidelberg star **GEORGE CHRISTOPOULOS**.

Moulis, with whom Christopoulos stayed during his stint in Canberra, will be best man at the wedding.

And in the Bega Cup, a knockout competition for Under 12 teams played prior to and at half-time of the main game, Inter Monaro knocked out Canberra City Olympians in a first round match decided on penalties.

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BROMFIELD MOVE PAYS DIVIDENDS

BY GREG RUSSELL

BRISBANE CITY full-back Garry Bromfield's return to the forward-line continued to pay dividends as he scored the winning goal in a 2-1 win over Adelaide City at Spencer Park.

Bromfield, who has played left-back for the past 12 months, has now scored five goals in four games since being switched back to striker, the position he played when he first joined City three years ago.

Queensland coach Bruce Stowell was responsible for switching Bromfield back to the forwards during the Maroons' tour of Fiji.

On the tour Bromfield scored four goals, including a hat-trick.

Brisbane City coach Jim Hermiston elected to start with Bromfield at full-back, but at half-time brought on young signing and Fiji tourist Glenn Archer for his NSL debut and pushed Bromfield to the left wing.

The change sparked

the Brisbane team, which had been lack-lustre in the first period.

The home side had gone ahead in the 44th minute when Lee Scriggins made amends for an earlier miss by netting.

Adelaide's Joe Mulvaney headed in an Alex Tobin corner a minute later to keep things level.

It took only 16 minutes for Bromfield to justify the half-time change. And it was thanks to brilliant work by Alan Reis.

Reis beat two defenders on the left and curled a pinpoint cross to the unmarked Bromfield at the far post, where he had little trouble heading past Willie McNally.

Brisbane City have goalkeeper Kim Wishart to thank for

the two points.

Adelaide City were given a penalty in the 82nd minute after Luciano Fabrizio had fouled Adrian Santrac.

Sergio Melta hit his shot low to the left but Wishart, with the aid of a head start, dived correctly and turned the ball away for a corner.

The big Queensland keeper also made several other vital saves which turned back the Adelaide City players, who finished the game bitter over the result.

Referee Alan Kibbler handed out four yellow cards, but the match was not violent.

Two were for deliberate hand-ball, one for a "professional foul" and the other for dissent.

"The Sugarmen" had the Lions caged for most of the match as sweeper Peter Kelly cracked the whip for the home side.



GARRY BROMFIELD: positional switch.

LIONS TIRED AFTER TOUR

BY VIC MIGLIACCIO

BRISBANE LIONS were only a shadow of the team that drew 1-1 against Adelaide City six weeks ago when they lost 5-3 against West Adelaide in Hindmarsh Stadium.

The visitors, with eight representatives in the side that took part in the Fiji tour last week, looked tired and were second to the ball for most of the match.

West Adelaide's top goalscorer Gary Price scored a hat-trick (21st, 23rd and 68th minutes).

New Socceroo Graham Honeyman (38th minute) and Alan Scott (65th minute) were the other scorers for the home side.

For Brisbane Lions, marksmen were Alan Niven (35th minute), John Stewart (80th) and Danny Wright (85th).

BUNDABERG CAGE

BRISBANE LIONS

BUNDABERG caused a major upset when they sent Brisbane Lions crashing out of the Queensland Ampol Cup with a 3-0 victory at Marten's Oval, Bundaberg, yesterday.

"The Sugarmen" had the Lions caged for most of the match as sweeper Peter Kelly cracked the whip for the home side.

Bundaberg's Trevor Rohdman capped a fine performance by cracking in two smart second half goals. Peter Wells added the third.

Kelly and Richie Hyne had magnificent matches to seal Bundaberg's berth in the quarter-finals of the Ampol Cup.

The fact that Lions lead Queensland's Premier League by four points made Bundaberg's victory all the more meritorious.



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(Blacktown City)



JOHN BRADLEY
(Blacktown City)



PHIL O'CONNOR
(Blacktown City)



MICKEY CROSS
(Penrith captain)



JOHN MCKIE
(Blacktown City)



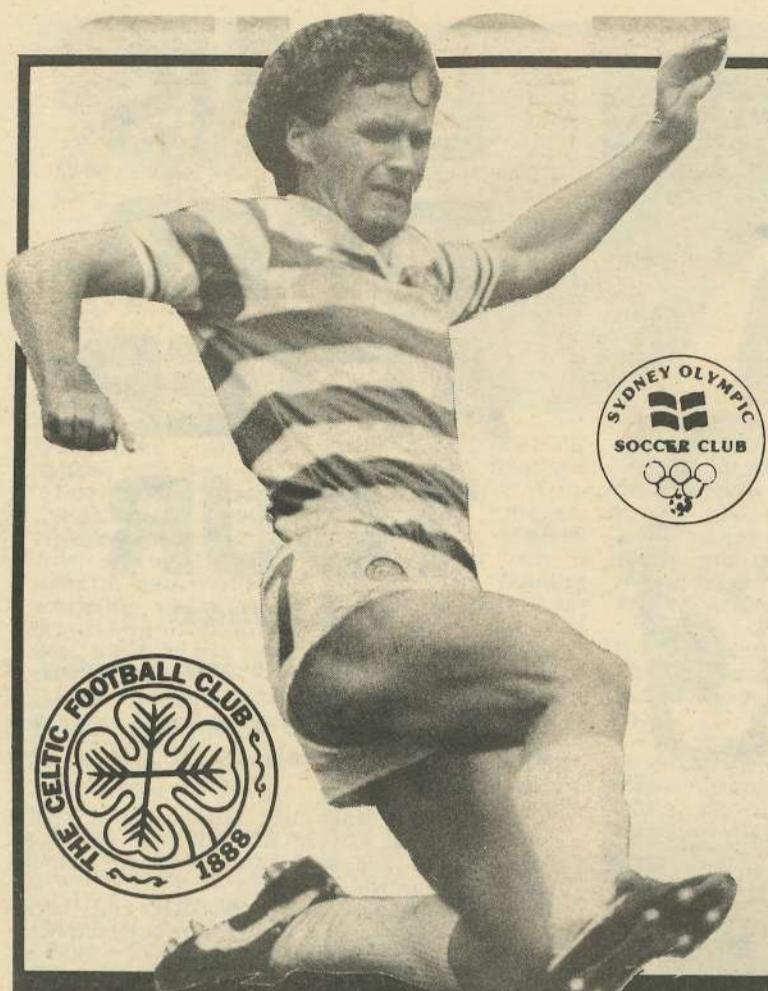
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STAR PROFILE

HEIGHT, WEIGHT: 5'9", 158 lbs.

MARRIED: No.

OCCUPATION: Full-time pro with Celtic.

PLAYING POSITION: Right wing goalscorer.

CLUBS PLAYED FOR: Kilmarnock and Celtic.

FAVOURITE PLAYERS: Charlie Nicholas, Gordon Strachan, Kenny Dalglish and Marshall Soper.

FAVOURITE CLUBS: Juventus and Manchester United.

CAR: Golf GTI.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Golf and snooker.

FAVOURITE FILM STARS: Gene Hackman and Kathryn Ross.

LONG TERM AMBITIONS: To play soccer till my late 30s and to keep fit.

SUPERSTITIONS: When I come out of the tunnel with Celtic, I always like to be behind Roy Aitken.

FAVOURITE MUSIC: Simple Minds and U2.



BILLY McNEILL

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Billy McNeill, former Celtic and Scotland stopper, currently manager with Manchester City, newly-promoted to First Division.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT IN SOCCER: My first Cup Final loss when Celtic went down to Aberdeen last year. We played with 10 men after Roy Aitken was sent off.

MAJOR INJURIES: A couple of bad ones. I had a bad knee injury in 1981 and in 1983 I tore a hamstring that kept me out of the first team for nearly five months.



ABOVE: Davie Provan lines up for Sydney Olympic.

BELOW: In action for Celtic in a Cup Final at Hampden Park against Glasgow rivals, Rangers.



PROVAN POWER!

DAVIE PROVAN, Sydney Olympic's guest player from Scottish Cup winners Glasgow Celtic, is one of the biggest soccer personalities to have come to Australia to play in the Olympic Airways National Soccer League.

Provan is an intelligent right winger and, besides being a goalscorer, is a deadly crosser of the ball.

Australian fans saw evidence of this last week on TV when the 1985 Scottish Cup Final was screened.

In that match, Provan scored with a 16 metre inswinging free-kick to level the scoreline. Celtic went on to beat Dundee United 2-1.

Provan also provided three lethal, deceptive crosses into the box — all of them different.

One was a high lob to the back post, another was an outswinger, and yet another was a snapping low bullet-like rocket that flashed across the Dundee goalmouth begging for a touch to ricochet it into the net.

A week later, in his first match for Sydney Olympic against Newcastle Rosebud at Pratten Park, Provan opened the scoring with a magnificent, individual, intelligent goal which sent the Olympic fans delirious.

PROFILE BY JOHN ECONOMOS

Despite having just got off the plane the day before the match, Provan showed enough touches of magic to identify him as a classy, experienced football campaigner.

This class and experience is just the tonic Sydney Olympic need right now to blend perfectly with the fire and penetration of central striker Marshall Soper and the youth and enthusiasm of left flanker Chris Kalantzis.

Provan has won many championship medals and cups with Scotland's heavyweight club Celtic and has been capped by Scotland on 12 occasions.

"For my first Australian match against Newcastle, I had been warned about the Aussie rough tackling," Provan said. "But credit to Newcastle's players and coach Willie Gallagher: their tackling, although hard, was always fair."

Australian fans will be in for great delights when they get a chance to see Provan take free-kicks.

He is a deadly specialist on all dead-ball moves and can bend a shot either way, to the horror of facing goalkeepers.

Nothing frightens goalkeepers more than to line up for a free-kick behind their wall, knowing well that the striker can as well as bend the ball, crack a dipping trajectory simultaneously.

This particular skill which Provan possesses makes him a lethal weapon for any outfit.

Provan swears that despite his ability to crack a dipping or outswinger, he does not have any Brazilian blood in him!

WOLVES' FOUR YEAR PLAN

WOLLONGONG CITY broke a drought which saw them pick up one point from a possible 14 when they knocked off Apia Leichhardt 1-0 last week.

After losing 3-0 to Blacktown City the week before, there was a hint of disillusionment in coach Adrian Alston's words.

"It's hard to compete with teams that buy international players like O'Connor and Bradley, particularly when we spent \$400 on new players this year," Alston said.

"But that was the job I took on."

However, Alston's and Wollongong's spirits were lifted by the victory over Apia and the former Socceroo striker is confident the Wolves will avoid relegation this season and improve their standing in the Olympic Airways NSL.

When the much-travelled Alston took on his first major coaching position in Australia with Wollongong at the beginning of 1984, he set out a four-year plan.

The basis of that plan was a youth programme which would provide the club with a "feeder system" that ideally will supply the club with a constant flow-on of future NSL players.

"That's what it's all about," "Noddy" said during a break from his job as warehouse manager at Jewel Food Store at Thirroul on the South Coast.

"In my opinion it's something that should have been started when the club first started.

"When I took over we had to build a completely new first team and a new youth team."

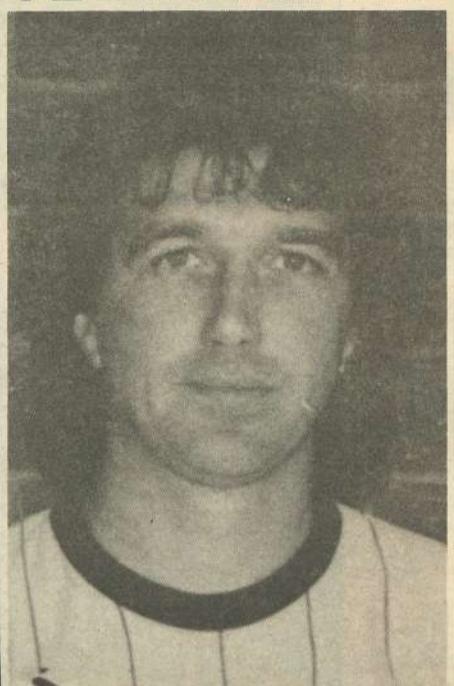
Alston took over a club which in previous seasons had spent a lot of money on experienced players, many of whom chose to move on when the Wolves struck difficult financial times.

So Alston, with the support of the Wollongong board, began to bring the youngsters into the NSL squad, secure in the knowledge that the club wouldn't be relegated in 1984 due to their "protected" development status.

That is no longer the case and Wollongong will have to fight their way out of the relegation zone this year.

Alston believes his young team will do it, although he stresses that people cannot expect miracles.

ADRIAN ALSTON



IN THE HOT SEAT

BY BRAD EARL

"Everybody has to understand that to stick with youth you've got to be patient."

"The young players are improving all the time and we're playing a lot better than last year."

Alston added one of the most experienced players in Australia to his squad when he signed 37-year-old Dez Marton from St George two weeks ago.

"Dez has been great," he said. "He talks to the young players on the field and his workrate has been excellent."

Marton's arrival coincided with the return of another experienced campaigner, Larry Gaffney.

Gaffney quit the club at the end of last season but resolved his differences and made a comeback to NSL last month.

Alston has made a number of positional changes this year, but he says the main reason has been due to the lack of a true centre-forward.

That problem has been partially solved by Marton's signing, and Wollongong are also expecting the arrival of a striker from Yugoslavia within a fortnight.

The Wolves boss is also pleased the club now has excellent training facilities under floodlights at Woonona High School: "the directors are taking steps in the right direction," he says.

Alston's initiation into NSL coaching hasn't been easy, but he relishes the challenge.

"I enjoy it. I love the game and I love working with these players down here."



LARRY GAFFNEY has added experience to the young Wolves side.

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BY **MIKE
JOHNSON**

INTERESTING **POSER FOR** **WOLLONGONG**

WOLLONGONG could have three teams representing it in State League next year.

This intriguing possibility would happen if Wollongong City are relegated, if Wollongong Macedonia win Second Division and if Fairy Meadow consolidate their position in State League.

These "ifs" are not unlikely if you look at the situation of those teams at the present time.

Wolves are down the bottom of the national League, Macedonia are top of Division Two and Fairy Meadow are well out of danger of relegation from State League.

STRUGGLE

Three Wollongong teams in State League would produce a titanic struggle for supremacy which would be good for the district and good for the League.

I came to Australia in the 1960s to join then Wollongong United, when soccer was big in Wollongong and United were a force in top soccer with several players representing Australia.

Subsequently soccer went into decline in the area, with no team able to gain a place in the then strong State League for many years.

A few years after the introduction of the National League, Wollongong was accepted and a brand new club was formed called Wollongong City — the Wolves.

The weakness of Wollongong City was that there were few people with soccer administration experience in key positions in the club.

Consequently they left almost all of the soccer management in the hands of an equally inexperienced Ken Morton, who was appointed coach.

Morton went to England and signed several lower division Football League players.

NUCLEUS

These formed the nucleus of a team which eventually took the club into a top four position, but in

the process the club went broke.

Since that time the club has been trying to balance its books, while floundering down the bottom of the League because of having to use an excess of young, inexperienced players.

The Fairy Meadow management team of Frank Saladino and Walter Chichkan have looked after their club for almost a decade.

They are very conversant with soccer club management, as they should be, and also have experience of dealing with the Soccer Federation in Sydney.

Just as important they know who the best soccer players are in Wollongong and are ever ready to put them on their books.

The administration at Wollongong Macedonia has changed a lot in recent years and consequently has not had the same stability as Fairy Meadow.

On the other hand, it has a very solid spectator following of some 1,000 which ensures the club is financially viable.

Fairy Meadow, in State League, have been attracting 1,000 people to home games, while Wolves have been getting just over that for National League encounters.

CHANGING

There are some very good soccer players in Wollongong, but, because the area was out of the soccer limelight for so long, many of the players have lacked the professional application of those in clubs in Sydney.

This should be gradually changing with Wollongong once more starting to make its mark in the soccer world.

Competition always sharpens people up.

This includes soccer players and administrators.

The emergence of Wollongong from its long soccer coma cannot but be good for the game.

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KEEGAN BOOST

FOR
JOHN
McKIE



JOHN MCKIE's 1985 season has already been very memorable for him.

Faced with the prospect of playing in the relative obscurity of State League, the Scottish striker decided to ask relegated Parramatta Melita for a transfer in pre-season.

Blacktown stepped in and signed McKie for \$4,000 in April, and he made his debut for the Demons in the sixth round of the National League.

Two weeks later, he was sharing the attacking duties with Kevin Keegan — "the highlight of my career so far," says John.

If all else had failed, that in itself would have made his move to Blacktown worthwhile.



JOHN BRADLEY: 'very tricky'.

PROFILE BY
BRAD EARL



However, few players have been such an immediate success with a new club as McKie at Blacktown.

"I put it down to Casey de Bruin's coaching," he said. "I enjoy his training and I'm a lot sharper."

"Also with a new club there are new ambitions, and that has done me the world of good."

"Kevin Keegan's visit topped it all off, and I think it lifted everybody."

McKie certainly didn't waste the opportunity to impress with a well-taken goal in the first of Keegan's two matches, against Canberra.

That was one of four goals he scored in his first seven games for Blacktown — the best start the 24-year-old has had in his six seasons in Australia.

He came here as a 19-year-old to play for Apia Leichhardt after a very short spell under then Apia coach Willie Wallace at Scottish club Dundee.

Wallace was Dundee's assistant manager when McKie spent two weeks there on trial. As Wallace was about to leave for Australia, he offered McKie a two-year contract.

"I was only going to stay in Australia for two years but I've been here ever since!" McKie said.

Another Scottish player Wallace brought to Australia to play for Apia was John Bradley.

The two youngsters became good mates, but their careers never really got off the ground in those first two seasons at Lambert Park.

When his contract was up, McKie joined NSW State League club Melita Eagles, while Bradley stayed with Apia to become one of their prized possessions in the last couple of years.



MAIN PICTURE: Blacktown City's John McKie holds off the challenge of Wollongong defender Peter Willis.

ABOVE: McKie and Kevin Keegan take a breather as Canberra defender Terry Byrne marshalls his defence.

PHOTOS: SPN.

Readers Forum

MORE THAN A TRAGEDY

THE European Cup carnage was more than a tragedy.

No one word, indeed no collection of words could adequately describe the shock felt by the world towards this disaster.

One picture is worth a thousand words, and the pictures relayed into our homes via the news services said it all. No human being could fail to feel anything but outrage, disgust, helplessness and pity. As an Englishman I also felt shame, guilt and extreme anger.

For years I've laughed off the so-called "British Disease", buried my head in the sand and made constant excuses. It takes two to tango, it happens in South America also, the alcohol is to blame, it's only a mindless minority, etc, etc, etc.

The time for excuses has finished. So what if there weren't enough Belgian police officers on hand, so what if the segregation wasn't as organised as it should have been, so what if certain areas of the ground were overcrowded, so what if...

Please, no more ifs, buts or maybes. No more excuses. The Brussels tragedy should never have happened and must not occur again.

As a lifelong English soccer supporter, I never thought I'd see the day when I'd plead for authorities to ban English clubs from playing in Europe, ban England's national team from competing in away internationals, including European Championship and World Cup matches. But the time has now come. For the good of European and world soccer, indeed for their own good, these bans must immediately be enforced.

Mrs Thatcher denounced the thugs responsible, claiming that they have shamed their country and their sport. Too many times the same, or similar, statement has been uttered by Mrs Thatcher after a display of violence by English supporters. Actions not words are needed, now more than ever. Little or nothing has been done in the past to back up these statements.

In some ways, the message was drummed home most effectively by the Liverpool supporters arriving back in Britain. To some of these men, Liverpool Football Club is their life. Little else matters. In a drab, depressing life, their only escape is football. To hear men who have faithfully followed their club for over 30 years, travelled thousands of miles to see their team win, lose or draw, utter the words, "Never again, I'm finished with Liverpool," rams home the severity of the disaster. This analogy may seem petty, even insulting to some, but if you've ever been cornered in a bar with one of these supporters, ever been friends with one, you'd know what I mean.

What will happen now after the inquiries, after the interviews, after the outrage has died down? If soccer is ever to recover, action must be taken. The image of English soccer, previously at an all-time low, has been tarnished forever. Worldwide soccer, if it quickly disassociates itself from the "British Disease", could conceivably save itself.

To say that I'm presently ashamed to be English is an understatement. I feel guilty and partly responsible. Apologies mean nothing at times like this, either from supporters or prime ministers. Nothing can help the grieving friends and relatives of the victims or those still lying injured in hospital. Nothing can stop the feelings of anger towards the English. We can only ensure that it doesn't happen again. For all it's worth, sorry.

NIC BRASCH,
Artarmon, NSW.

LET DOWN BY HOOLIGANS

AS one of many soccer supporters who read ASW I would like to express my feelings on the trouble at the European Cup Final.

I have devoted the best years of my life to our great game. I have supported the game through hot and cold, thick and thin, wet and dry. I have tried to create interest amongst friends whom normally are not interested in the game.

I feel let down by these football hooligans who have caused death and destruction. They are a cancer and a blight on the game. I only wish they would go somewhere else for their kicks, not to soccer games.

Whatever the authorities' punishment for these rebels is, it will not be enough because something I love has been dragged through the mud.

SOCER LOVER,
Sydney, NSW.
(Name & address supplied.)

DISAPPOINTING 'SPECTACULAR'

I RECENTLY attended a "Soccer Spectacular" (as advertised) at a local shopping centre.

It was obvious from speaking to the organisers of the show that an immense amount of work had gone into the preparation of the stand and in arranging for Socceroos, past and present, to attend the function.

Unfortunately, apart from the attendance of Greg Woodhouse of Croatia, not one Australian or club player turned up. It was hard to know who was most disappointed, the large audience or the officials. If it had not been for several hard-working attempts by officials to keep the crowd's attention, then the whole evening could have turned into a fiasco.

As a mother of two sons, both of whom play soccer, I cannot but express my extreme disappointment at the lack of support given to the people and clubs who made a gallant attempt to promote soccer in their area.

The next time I hear someone criticising the public for lack of support at NSL games and for Australian soccer in general, then I will have a reply ready for them.

SANDRA TAYLOR,
Bradbury, NSW.

SOCCER CENTRE IS IN WEST

IN reply to Mr C. Mills of Belmore (letters May 20), who had not one good word for the Blacktown City v Sydney Croatia match featuring Kevin Keegan, I agree that Marconi Stadium was too small for the match. But I was relieved when the match was held in the west rather than in the city or at St George Stadium.

I knew the ground would be packed, and I must admit that I enjoyed seeing the place packed to the gills — it should happen to every ground at least once in its lifetime.

I agree that there are no adequate facilities in the west for such a fixture; in fact I think that the west should receive the first-class soccer stadium that all of Sydney is hoping for. After all the area between Parramatta, Liverpool and Bankstown must now be in the centre of the suburbs likely to support soccer.

I view the numbers at the big match not as a backward step for soccer, but as convincing evidence that a large stadium out west would be justified. People were excited at the prospect of seeing KK without having to travel to the city or St George Stadium.

The three letters published with yours in Readers' Forum were all from west of Parramatta, and all three were delighted with the events involving KK.

As to the state of the NSL and the grounds where its matches are played, I think that you, Mr Mills, are putting the cart before the horse.

First, a club must see that the ground is too small for the regular crowd before it can justify the expense of improving it,

and without people like you and I paying our money at the gate the improvements cannot be funded.

Second, the standard of play can in the long run be improved if the clubs run youth training schemes and reserve teams, but they need our money (and thus our attendances week by week) to allow it.

Third, if a club such as Blacktown City contemplates doing something of special interest such as featuring a famous player, they may decide against it if every "soccer fanatic", as you describe yourself, refused to ever attend an NSL match. You are a classic example of "the great Australian knocker".

In regards to seeing the matches, I'd suggest that those of us who only attend the home games that our club plays should either make an effort to see the away games as well, or do as I do. I watch Blacktown City when they are at home, and the other weeks I go to see Penrith City. The League fixtures have been organised so neighbouring clubs are never both at home on the same day. This is in the unspoken hope that locals will support both clubs.

MR D. STENHOUSE,
Wentworthville, NSW.

USE 'TRIAL BY VIDEO'

THE type of soccer that has been pushed by certain coaches is derogatory to skills of the players and to the intelligence of people who watch the game.

Law 12 of the soccer rules states: "A player shall be sent off the field of play, if, in the opinion of the referee, he is guilty of violent conduct or serious foul play."

We see week after week rough, big men killing the game on the instructions of their coaches. Come on referees, clean up our game or we will not have any skillful players to see perform in the Australian team!

We should take action against this type of play. We should follow rugby league's "trial by video" and send those types out of the game.

J. LASS,
Hillsdale, NSW.

'BORING' PRESS IN BRISBANE

I'D like to make a comment or two on the people who do the write-ups for soccer in Brisbane.

We have three local papers plus SOCCER WEEKLY and the GO SOCCER weekly magazine. The reporting is of such nature that you only need to read one of the papers to know that is what will be published in all the others almost identically.

They don't seem to have any flair for independent reporting of stories other than the "norm" City or Lions comment. If one reporter reckons so-and-so had a good game, then so do all the others — oh so boring!

Come on you writers, get on the phones, visit the clubs yourselves and get some bite and interest into our reading.

M.T. BROWN,
Aspley, Qld.

BENEFITS FOR REFS NEEDED

ANOTHER soccer season is at the halfway mark and many associations face an acute shortage of referees while the number of teams in many cases has increased.

I feel that for the benefit of the game and if we are to attract new referees then an attractive package must be provided by the ASRF.

Perhaps the ASRF should provide free passes to referees to games involving the Socceroos, as well as to the National League, because if we are to learn and to improve the standard, the way to do it is to watch our top refs in action.

Also, while players' wages have soared in the last few years, the fee paid to referees in the National League has remained steady. As a referee myself, I have approached my own district for the granting of such benefits with little success, as there is so much red tape to comply with.

CARLOS M. BIELLI,
Kings Cross, NSW.

CANBERRA AWAITS SYDNEY OLYMPIC

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

CANBERRA CITY OLYMPIANS are anxiously awaiting Sydney Olympic's visit to the ACT next Monday and will promise a big show for the "blue and whites."

Roy Thomson, Canberra's Scottish coach, said last night: "Obviously Sydney Olympic will be looking for a big performance from their Celtic guest player, Davie Provan."

Thomson, who knows Provan's performance very well from Scottish football, has instructed his NSL squad not to concede free-kicks anywhere around the penalty area.

"Provan is deadly on dead-ball situations. He can dip and bend them whichever way he likes."

"His skills in this department sunk Dundee United recently in the Scottish Cup Final and I don't want our Anthony Franken to be faced with such a herculean problem," Thomson warned.

Thomson could assign John Mihailidis the unenviable task of shackling Provan.

Mihailidis is a well-disciplined team player and could do an excellent "policeman's job" on the Celtic star.

Provan also specialises in crosses.

With deadly vision, Provan can tailor-make the desirable cross ... and none of his centres is orthodox.

Canberra are not too happy with striker Tommy English, who was dropped yesterday for the cancelled match against Penrith.

English, with tremendous ability, has not delivered the goods for Canberra the last three or four weeks and could again lose his spot to Manis Lamond or Marko Perinovic.

Centre-back Peter Burke and left-back Roy Jones are both poised to make comebacks into the side.

If Burke comes in on Sunday, free-back Terry Byrne will push up to add direction to Canberra's attacks.

Olympic should have internationals Graham Jennings and Marshall Soper back from Melbourne after the international series.



ANTHONY FRANKEN will have to face the danger of Davie Provan.



NEW SWIMMING CENTRE

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VASCO IN THE YEAR 2000!

FOOTBALL is a way of life in Brazil, especially in Rio — home of visiting Vasco da Gama.

Vasco, like other leading Rio-based clubs such as Flamengo, Botafogo and Fluminense, provide more than just first-class teams for their football-worshipping public.

In a country where 60 percent of the population is under 20 years of age and approximately 95 percent of the people have little apart from their love of football, samba, the beach and life itself, football clubs such as Vasco play a vital role in the social welfare of the people.

Leading clubs such as Vasco are huge social club set-ups — something like a super Marconi.

Apart from restaurants, bars, administrative offices and training grounds, these clubs provide their members with a whole host of sporting and recreational facilities ranging from swimming, rowing, aerobics and fitness centres to tennis, basketball, volleyball, saloon football, smaller football grounds and



THE JOHNNY WARREN PAGE

even bocce for the older male members.

The football clubs are, in effect, the centre of social and recreational activity for the people of Rio.

Whilst the first team trains, the kids and their parents participate in sports, the older people sit around little coffee bars

Like most of the other leading clubs, Vasco have big plans for the future development of their facilities.

Vasco's plans are outlined above and include a new administration block, indoor gymnasium, additional grandstand and vastly upgraded training facilities for all sports.

RUGBY LEAGUE STAR WAS SOCCER JUNIOR

I SUPPOSE by this time most soccer fans are getting a bit like me.

And that is sick and tired of seeing our best kids drifting off to make it overseas — and who can blame them until we make it more attractive for them to stay here?

But our former kids making it in soccer is at least acceptable — not so when it comes to other sports.

Watching rugby league's "World War Three" — the State of Origin match between NSW and Queensland last week — the man who stole the whole show, Michael O'Connor, was yet another soccer player to make it in another sport.

O'Connor was an outstanding soccer junior with Canberra North in the ACT junior competition back in the early 1970s.

He was a contemporary of former Canberra City, Sydney Olympic and Young Socceroo Danny Moulis.

In fact Danny's dad, Theo, was the coach of the team which won the championship many times during O'Connor's days.

"Michael was a first-class athlete," recalls Danny of his former team-mate.

"He had everything to become a top soccer player — excellent temperament, competitive attitude, good skills and tremendous speed."

For those who missed the State of Origin match, O'Connor scored all of NSW's points — two tries and five goals from six attempts (soccer-style kicking, of



ROBERTO DINAMITE, Vasco's star striker (second from right), with Johnny and Jamie Warren and Falah Mahmoud of the Iraqi Football Association.

SCHOOLS ADVANCE

THE Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup is gradually moving through the early rounds with many of the 280-odd NSW High Schools going by the wayside.

One of the most convincing wins of the second round was when Mt Druitt thrashed Penrith 9-1.

Scorers for Mt Druitt were Geoff Head (two), Chris Ferguson (two), with Martin Kerrigan, Andrew Diaz, Chris Hawkins, Darren Gitajar and Albert Henry getting one goal each.

Riverstone High advanced to the fourth round with a 4-0 win over Whalan in a round three match.

Darren Lewington, Angelo Raguz, Craig Strickland and David Parkinson were the pick of the Riverstone side, whilst for Whalan G. Chica, D. Lowe and S. Steptoe were the best players.

Craig Strickland grabbed a hat-trick in Riverstone's convincing win, with David Parkinson scoring their remaining goal.

Meanwhile, Malvina recorded a 2-1 victory over Ashfield Boys High.



THEO MOULIS: coached O'Connor as a junior.

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FIRST POINT FOR ABONYI

ROCKDALE 1

MELITA 1

A LATE rally and goal gave Rockdale Linden their first point under new coach Attili Abonyi when they drew with State League table-toppers Parramatta Melita 1-1.

With 10 minutes remaining, Rockdale midfielder Nick Papas rammed home the all-important equaliser.

Melita were a trifle unlucky not to have secured both points because of the inspirational goalkeeping of Rockdale's Nick Kotzohambos.

Kotzohambos continually denied the Melita front-runners, none more so than Don Allan, who, had it not been for Kotzohambos, may have grabbed a hat-trick.

Allan, however, was not to be denied completely, as he planted home Melita's goal after 36 minutes following a free-kick by Billy Griffiths.

As with just about every other venue, the playing area was difficult to perform on, but one man who found it much to his liking was Allan.

He and Kotzohambos managed to turn the match into a two-man contest.

In fact such was the intensity of their clash that on one occasion Kotzohambos was forced to make a rugby tackle on Allan outside the area to prevent him scoring, earning him a yellow card.

ROCKDALE: Kotzohambos, Blackburn, G. Wilson, D. Wilson, Forrester, Papas, Nastevski (Boots 78), Pilovski, Brown, Trajanovski, Ristevski (Campanella 78).

MELITA: Mullen, McCoy, McPherson (O'Rourke 87), Wilson, McAusland, Davies, Farrugia, Laing, Walker, Allan, Griffiths. CROWD: 1,081.

SUTHERLAND 1
CANTERBURY 2

A MASTERSTROKE by coach Raul Blanco in bringing on the flying Paul Kirwan certainly paid dividends when Canterbury-Marrickville Olympic took the match from Sutherland 2-1.

The all-important substitution came after 67 minutes and only 14 minutes later the winning goal was orchestrated by the acrobatic Kirwan.

He managed to beat the Sharks' offside trap and then somehow, as the ball bobbed near the edge of the area, he launched himself into an overhead kick that found Louis Dounis driving low and powerfully into the net.

Earlier another brilliant goal was scored by the Olympic side.

Spiro Hantzis took a free-kick from the left. John Anagnostopoulos rose to outjump the defence and hammer home a powerful header.

Brian Gray, who had earlier missed an open goal, redeemed himself when in the 61st minute he put in a dipping shot.

CANTERBURY: Hummel, Karaspyros, Hantzis, Radman, Pena, Ortega, Silva (Kirwan 67), Anagnostopoulos, Dounis, Borges, Basterfield.

SUTHERLAND: Birchmore, Nelson, Terry, Hesford, Burrows, Webber, Groome, Harrington, Rogers (Laronde 67), Beggs, Gray.

MANLY 4
POLONIA 2

JIMMY CAMPBELL continues to be the form player of the State League and his performance in Manly's authoritative 4-2 blitz of bedraggled Polonia only served to further assure everyone of his class.

Along with getting a brace of goals himself, he was a tireless worker for his side in attack and defence, continually "mopping up" at the back and creating chances up-front.

Steve Leak scored after only four minutes for Manly but Polonia quickly countered through a Stephan Janic goal. Both efforts were results of poor defence.

Then Campbell stamped his mark on the match 20 minutes in. He collected the ball some 40 metres away from goal, feinted, swerved, beat three players, raced to the edge of the area and curled home a superb left-foot shot.

The mud and slush of the ground did not suit the "new-look" Ku-ring-gai side and their style of play.

Instead of good quick ball-playing they were confined to toughing it out in the midfield through the exploits of Quigley and Kevern.

Ku-ring-gai's defence relied too much on the offside trap and their usual sturdiness at the back was sadly lacking.

AVALA 0
FAIRY MEADOW 1

A NINTH minute goal from goal-starved Ku-ring-gai forward Mark Nile secured the two competition points for Ku-ring-gai against a spirited Warringah side.

The goal resulted from an adventurous Brian Eller cross that was contested in the area by Nile and Warringah goalkeeper Peter Dean. The ball dropped in the mud eight metres out but Nile, seeing the opportunity to grab his first goal of the year, stuck it home.

John Fleming's team did so and did it well. They defended stoutly but were aided by some poor finishing by the Avala strikers.

The deciding goal came after 65 minutes when a mix-up and some slipping and sliding in the Avala defence saw Phil Mowbray race in and score.



NICK KOTZOHAMBOS, the Rockdale goalkeeper who was in outstanding form against Parramatta Melita.





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LEAGUE ENJOYS A RESURGENCE

BY FRANK COLETTA

THINGS are looking up for the New South Wales State League.

The competition for semi-final spots is fierce with Parramatta Melita, Sutherland, Avala, Fairy Meadow and Manly likely to battle out the number one position, which has as a reward of a guaranteed spot in the NSL.

But more encouraging is the returning of crowds to the NSL nursery.

As to why the resurgence has occurred, well it is a combination of things.

Firstly at this stage the League is wide open with many sides launching big efforts, although Melita are threatening to run away with the lead.

STANDARD

Soon enough the men will be sorted out from the boys, and that is why everyone is taking so much interest.

Along with the competitiveness, there are the players and standard of play.

Excitement-machines are to be found in all the sides and, with the game of football being a source of entertainment now, people want to enjoy what they watch.

Names like Ray Farrugia, Jimmy Campbell, Paul Kirwan, Glen Fontana, Nellio Borges, Ross Brown, Glen Jeffrey and many more are gracing the suburban fields at the moment and giving the viewing public more than its money's worth.

Football viewers love goals, moreover spectacular ones, and there has been no shortage this season.

Take for instance the three goals in the

Rockdale v Uruguay game. Rockdale's midfielder Georgeos hit a 30 metre volley home, Jimmy Nastevski scored with a 20 metre drive and Geoff Wilson's 18 metre free-kick smashed along the ground and in.

DYNAMIC

What about Robert Giraldi's free-kick effort for Fairy Meadow against Rockdale?

With a rehearsed move the 'Gong side played the ball between four players in a small area. The ball was then knocked to Giraldi who hit a dynamic shot into the top corner.

Then there was Farrugia in an absolute demonic mood against the hapless Bankstown boys. He set up Melita's win with a 25 metre pile-driver that stretched the net to breaking limits.

One could go on all day but these displays of bravado and daring are testimony to the fact that TNT Skypak, the State League sponsors, are on a likely winner.

As for the dramatic resurgence in crowds, just take a look at some figures and compare them with recent NSL crowds: Avala v Rockdale approx 2,000, Fairy Meadow v Manly 2,500, Avala v Canterbury 1,200, Canterbury v Uruguay 1,100, Fairy Meadow v Rockdale 1,800, Sutherland v Manly 1,100.

Teams such as Avala, Melita, Fairy Meadow (at home) and Canterbury are regularly drawing large crowds and lowly teams like Uruguay and Bankstown are packing them in on occasions.

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY JUNE 5:

FAIRY MEADOW v SUTHERLAND SHIRE TOWRADGI PARK
(Second grade 6.15pm, first grade 8pm)

SATURDAY JUNE 8:

AVALA v MANLY WARRINGAH KNIGHT PARK No 4

SUNDAY JUNE 9:

URUGUAY AUBURN v FAIRY MEADOW MONA PARK

POLONIA v KU-RING-GAI CHOPIN PARK

WARRINGAH N'BEEN v ROCKDALE LINDEN N'BEEN FITNESS CAMP

MELITA EAGLES v CANTERBURY M'VILLE OLY MELITA STADIUM

SUTHERLAND v BANKSTOWN NATIONAL SEYMOUR SHAW PARK

SECOND DIVISION

SATURDAY JUNE 8:

Artarmon v Gladesville Hby

Artarmon Reserve

Dee Why v Penrith United

Cromer Park

SUNDAY JUNE 9:

SSC Yugal v Queens Park

Ground to be advised

Blacktown Utd v Campbelltown City

Francis Park

W'gong Macedonia v C'bury & Dist

Blick Oval

North Bankstown v Bathurst '75

Potts Park

MONDAY JUNE 10:

W'gong Macedonia v Blacktown Utd

Berkeley S/G

Nth Bankstown v SSC Yugal

Potts Park

THIRD DIVISION

WEDNESDAY JUNE 5:

Granville Dist v Rooty Hill

Garside Park (Second grade 6.30pm, first grade 8pm)

SATURDAY JUNE 8:

Mt Druitt Town v Moorebank L'pool

Popondetta Park

Kingsford v Port Hacking

Erskineville Oval

SUNDAY JUNE 9:

Campbelltown Dist v King Tomislav

Bensley Road

Baulkham Hills v Rooty Hill

Ted Horwood No 3

University of NSW v Bondi Marine

Little Bay Oval

North Ryde RSL v Granville Dist

North Ryde Oval

MONDAY JUNE 10:

Rooty Hill v Granville Dist

Cawarra Park

King Tomislav v Baulkham Hills

Croatian S/G

JUNIOR SCENE



Compiled by
Keith Gilmour

FILLING THE GAP BEFORE UNDER 19

MARCONI Youth League coach Vic Divani is rightly concerned over the structure of the NSW Youth League and the National League's Youth League.

Both have played a big part in bringing Australian kids to the fore in soccer, but there is a gap that needs plugging.

The Youth League conducted by the NSW Amateur Federation covers Under 13 to Under 16.

But then the next grading for ambitious players is Under 19 and there they have to compete with experienced semi-professionals who could even be national team players.

This is because up to four players can be over-

age.

Vic Divani asks: "Why waste the best U16 players when they move out of that grade?

"Why not run an U18 competition to fill the gap?"

A good question indeed. But it calls for someone with the power to close the ranks.

It will be at some expense, but more local players of quality moving through will result in compensating savings to the clubs.

That is, of course, apart from providing the right incentive for young Australian footballers.

Churches affiliation needs an airing

THE day has come in which the powers that be should have another in-depth look at associate affiliation for churches football.

For years the churches and officialdom have been offside. Probably by now the issues involved have been largely forgotten.

The NSW Churches FA is a huge operation and covers up to 10,000 active players as well as big numbers of referees, coaches, officials and supporters.

Newcastle Churches has been a consistent growth area and other churches associations

are located on the South Coast, in the ACT, Queensland and Victoria.

Even Tasmania is well in the act. It is sending representative teams to NSW in Under 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 grades as well as seniors.

For talks to be worthwhile means friendly cooperation and commonsense on both sides of the fence.

It is believed that when the matter cropped up last, there were problems in that NSW Churches were not affiliated to their own national body.

Nothing, of course, that some foresight could not cure. After all, associate affiliation is a goodwill gesture and not a barney over levies or similar matters.

BOB SHAW IS A WORKER AT BLACKTOWN

BLACKTOWN U15 Youth League manager Bob Shaw has struck up a good partnership with coach Dick Kocass.

Both are dedicated men and their attitude has rubbed off on to the players under their care.

Bob in the past was a manager and then president of Blacktown Workers club.

He managed representative players with Blacktown Association and then moved on to Blacktown City.

His son Ian, another Workers product, is a very handy left-back with the Demons.

Bob Shaw is happy with his team's dedication to the game and particularly with

their attitude to training.

Ian D'Costa is producing some exciting ball skills in midfield.

Young left-back David Kerrigan has proved to be a great thinker and is exceptionally cool under pressure.

Paul Welsh, a defender last year, is adapting well to his new role in the forwards.

He had the chance to trial for NSW U15 but was forced to turn down the opportunity due to a bout of flu.

THE AUSTRALLOYD INSURANCES AMATEUR CUP ROUND 1 — SUNDAY MAY 19:

Prospect United 3 Hercules Belmore 1, Crest 0 Sylvana Heights 5, Greenacre 5 Nth Suther Roc 1, Padstow United 1 Como West Jannali 5, Marrickville (A) 2 Engadine Eagles 1, Earlwood Wand (A) 0 Carling Redbacks 3, Epping YMCA (A) 1 East Bankstown 5, Epping YMCA (B) 3 Pendle Hill 2, Panania RSL 4 Canterbury JSC 2, Lilli Pilli 2 Lakemba Sports 1, Sans Souci (A) 3 Marrickville (B) 4, Heathcote War 1 Sans Souci (B) 2, Earlwood Wand (B) 2 Gordon SC 6, Revesby Rovers (A) 3 Lane Cove West 1, Carlton Rovers 9 Hurstville RSL 0, Belmore 0 Kirrawee JSC 6, Granville War 2 Miranda Magpies 4, Eschol Park 1 Lugarno SC 2, Orange Ex Ser 5 Condell Park (A) 1, Kingsgrove Oly 3 Macquarie Fields 0, Gwawley Bay won on forfeit, Ryde RSL 2 Cabanobolas Ran 1, Nth Shore Hellas 1 Nth Epping Rangers 6, Dubbo RSL 78 3 W Pennant Hills 1, Epping Eastwood 3 Marton SC 1, Hurstville Mem 2 Appin United 0, St George CYC 1 Caringbah Rangers 4, Sailing Club 2 Cronulla RSL 4, Sydney United 3 Culburra SC 2, Orange Waratah 6 Campbelltown Col 1, Arncliffe Scots, Orange CYMS, Condell Park (B) byes.

UNDER 21 ROBERTSON CUP

Rev Mil Lions 1 Connells Pt Rov 2, Villawood United 0 Gymea United 5, Greenacre 1 Liverpool Albion 3, Granville Kewpies 3 Como West Jannali 2, Marrickville SC 4 Engadine Eagles 1, Earlwood Wander 7 Carling Redbacks 2, Epping YMCA 3 Pendle Hill (B) 0, Asquith Soccer C 2 Pendle Hill (A) 1, Panania RSL 6 Manly Vale 2, Lilli Pilli 8 Beverley Hills 1, Sans Souci 3 Parklea 4, Heathcote War 1 Penshurst West 4, Balgowlah RSL 4 Gwawley Bay 2.

UNDER 18 STATE CUP

Chullora Wol (A) 1 Sydney United 5, Chullora Wol (B) 3 Miranda Magpies 6, Bankstown Trot 0 Bannockburn Rov 3, Canterbury JSC 1 Engadine Eagles 5, St Christopher's 6 Granville War (A) 2, Earlwood Wand 7 Granville War (B) 2, Epping YMCA 3 Pendle Hill SC 5, Canterbury PBC 1 North Rocks 10, Panania RSL 1 Kirrawee JSC 4, Lilli Pilli 7 Campbelltown Col 1, Sans Souci 1 Wahroonga 2.

UNDER 16 STATE CUP

Revesby Lions 1 Lake Albert Wagga 1, Chullora Wolves 8 St Stan College 0, East Bankstown 1 N. Epping Rangers 0, Marrickville 1 Carling Redbacks 0, Earl Wanderers 0 Castle Hill Sp 2, Epping YMCA 3 Hornsby Heights 3, St Johns 0 Pendle Hill 1, Panania RSL 0 Kirrawee JSC 4, Kingsgrove Oly 0 Liverpool Albion 0, Greenacre 2.

UNDER 14 STATE CUP

Rev Mil Lions 8 St Stan College 2, Chullora Wolves 0 Mt Pritchard 5, Greenacre 0 Abruzzi 9, Canterbury 0 Como West Jannali 1, Marrickville 0 Manly Vale 3, Winston Hills 1 Hornsby RSL 0, Hornsby Heights withdrew, Seaforth YC 0 St Ives 2, Panania RSL bye.

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The prizes go to the five lucky junior associations, clubs, schools and soccer organisations who make the best contributions to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY over the publishing period this year to September 30.

Contribution can be in story and/or pictorial form. Photographs should be in black and white although colour snaps are usually satisfactory as well.

The decision of the editorial staff of ASW will be final.

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES

U/14

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MAIN HONOURS AS PLAYER: NSW Country
AMBITIONS: Play for an English club
AMBITIONS IN LIFE: Work in a sports store
AGE COMMENCED SOCCER: 7
FIRST CLUB: Melrose Park Rangers



RAY NEWMAN

BIRTHDATE: 5.9.71
POSITION: Anywhere in the halves
CLUB: United
ASSOCIATION: AWSA
SCHOOL: Murray High
MAIN HONOURS AS PLAYER: NSW Country
AMBITIONS: Play for an English club or an Australian club
AMBITIONS IN LIFE: Work in a sports store
AGE COMMENCED SOCCER: 4
FIRST CLUB: United



CARL McGANN

BIRTHDATE: 16.1.71
POSITION: Sweeper
CLUB: Ashmont
ASSOCIATION: Wagga
SCHOOL: Mt Austin High
MAIN HONOURS AS PLAYER: NSW Country
AMBITIONS: Play for state teams then Australia
AMBITIONS IN LIFE: Veterinarian
AGE COMMENCED SOCCER: 6
FIRST CLUB: Tolland



SHAWN MORSE

BIRTHDATE: 2.2.71
POSITION: Goalkeeper
CLUB: Albury Hotspurs
ASSOCIATION: AWSA
SCHOOL: Albury North High
MAIN HONOURS AS PLAYER: NSW Country
AMBITIONS: Play for an English club
AMBITIONS IN LIFE: PE teacher
AGE COMMENCED SOCCER: 4
FIRST CLUB: Hotspurs



LORENZO BERTAZZO

BIRTHDATE: 8.5.71
POSITION: Midfield
CLUB: Lavington
ASSOCIATION: AWSA
SCHOOL: Murray High
MAIN HONOURS AS PLAYER: NSW Country
AMBITIONS: Play for Roma
AMBITIONS IN LIFE: Gunsmith
AGE COMMENCED SOCCER: 4
FIRST CLUB: Lavington



U/15

FRANK FINLAY JR

BIRTHDATE: 17.10.70
POSITION: Midfield
CLUB: United
ASSOCIATION: AWSA
SCHOOL: Albury High
MAIN HONOURS AS PLAYER: NSW Country
AMBITIONS: Play for Man United
AMBITIONS IN LIFE: Sports shop manager
AGE COMMENCED SOCCER: 8
FIRST CLUB: Hotspurs





SCHOOLS PRESS AHEAD

THE proposed Australian Schoolboys tour to England and Wales provides tremendous incentive to schoolboy footballers in Australia.

Strong endeavours are being made by the Australian Schools Soccer Federation to bring the tour into being.

The plan is for the series to take place in the Christmas vacation at the end of this year.

Closely monitoring progress are Chapman Bonner, president (Queensland), Duncan Summers, vice-president (Tasmania), Chris James, vice-president (NSW) and secretary Kevin Peterson (Western Australia).

The quality of players coming through the schools is undoubtedly.

Last year Martin Driene of NSW, now a regular member of the Marconi NSL squad, and Allan Millican of Queensland were judged the players of the National Championships in Hobart.

The selection was made by well-known Tasmanian coach Steve Darby.

FINLAY FRACAS NEEDS A REST

IT is high time for the dust-up between Riverina Amateurs' president Bob Maundrell and their publicity officer Frank Finlay to be laid to rest.

The original copy of his recent article on referees proves that he has done the right thing by all concerned.

His previous stories have been factual and to the point and usually well-illustrated as well.

No-one can keep writing without getting an occasional complaint.

Equally in Frank Finlay's case no-one has done more to help country soccer kids. So let's forget all about the rumpus and pull together and get on with the game.

STOWELL NAMED U16 ASSISTANT

MAY will always remain a memorable month for new assistant national Under 16 coach Bruce Stowell.

It was one which saw him achieve a hat-trick of successes.

Stowell, a former Leeds, Bradford and Rotherham player who also won a Rothmans Medal with Pan Hellenic in Sydney, began the month guiding the Queensland Under 18 side to the National Championship win in Sydney.

That victory put Stowell in line for the national coaching position, but he had little time to think of his chances of gaining the nod as he led Queensland on a 10-day tour of Fiji, the first overseas tour by a full state side in more than a decade.

And what a tour it turned out to be. Queensland were beaten 2-1 in the opening clash against the Fijian national team, but some astute positional changes for the second clash saw the Maroons emerge with a win by the same margin.

Stowell then left the Fiji tour to attend the FIFA coaching course in Sydney and on his

arrival learned that he had been successful in obtaining the position of assistant to Vic Dalglish for the tour to China in August.

Stowell was naturally delighted and hoped his selection would help increase recognition for all aspects of Queensland soccer.

"I hope my selection as the national assistant U16 coach will be a fillip for Queensland soccer. We have shown repeatedly in the past that we can more than hold our own in all levels of soccer and it would be nice to see others gain the proper recognition," he said.

Stowell will be working closely with Dalglish over the coming weeks, but will have plenty of work of his own to do in Queensland.

He will begin selecting his state U16 squad and must undertake extensive country trials. He hopes to assemble a squad of about 26 players which will be coached by state assistant coach Col Bennett until Stowell returns from China, when the final squad will be picked for the nationals.

"There is certainly a lot to do but I am looking forward to the challenge of it all," Stowell said.

ROCKY PERFORMS UNDER EVANS

EX-WOLLONGONG coach Richard Evans has made a big impression in soccer circles since taking up the position of Central Queensland coaching director.

Evans has moulded a number of age, secondary school and open representative teams into fit, formative sides since taking up his appointment based in Rockhampton.

His efforts have been characterised by his tireless energy and enthusiasm to make soccer in the region a progressive, dynamic sport.

A lot of his early efforts have been directed at junior players, coaches and managers to get teams ready for the zone titles.

And Evans' track record remains reasonably intact with U11 winning at Biloela, U12 losing on goal differences at Blackwater, U13 winning at Emerald, U14 taking the honours at Rockhampton and U15 losing at Rockhampton.

As a result of the performances, a high percentage of Rockhampton players have bagged places in Central Queensland zone sides,

including 14 boys in the Gino Paris squad.

The Rockhampton high schools representative team recently won the CQ zone titles at Blackwater, with eight boys making the zone representative team to play in Brisbane later this year.

On June 23, Rockhampton U16 and Youth teams play Bundaberg in front of state director of coaching Bruce Stowell with the hope of getting some boys in the state squad for the Australian titles in September.

Recently Evans was given the go-ahead to draw up plans to develop part of the Norbridge Park complex in order to turn it into a permanent training area with portable goals, shooting walls and a fixed grid system.

This will enable him to hold all training at the park.

Evans recently held Level I coaching seminars at Gladstone and Mount Morgan, with a Level II course to commence in Rockhampton on June 17.



ROCKHAMPTON juniors on the bustle during junior games at Norbridge Park this season. Richard Evans has worked hard to ensure junior players get top priority in coaching programmes he has organised.

YOUTH LEAGUE

RD 10 — SAT JUNE 1
GROUP A

	U13	U14	U15	U16
Apia v Marconi	0-1	1-1	1-0	2-1
Illawarra v St George	4-3	0-1	1-1	1-1
Blacktown City v Cant-M'ville	2-1	1-1	1-0	2-0
Granville v Sydney Olympic	0-3	0-2	0-7	2-3
Sutherland v Nepean	1-5	0-0	0-1	0-1

GROUP B

Avala v Central Coast	2-0	2-1	0-0	1-3
Manly v Baulkham Hills	0-2	0-2	1-1	5-0
Nth Bankstown v Croatia	0-0	3-0	5-1	1-0
Ku-ring-gai v Stn Dists	2-0	2-2	0-5	2-1
Melita v Gladesville — deferred				

GROUP C

Blacktown v Rockdale	2-0	1-6	5-0	1-1
Campbelltown v Macarthur	4-1	0-2	1-2	1-2
Yugal v Canterbury	1-7	2-0	0-2	1-2
Sydney City v Bankstown	2-0	0-0	1-0	5-0
Bathurst '75 — bye				

UNDER 13

GROUP A: Marconi 15, Blacktown City 13, Sydney Olympic 12, Illawarra 11, Nepean 10, St George 7, Apia 7, Canterbury-M'ville 6, Sutherland 4, Granville 3.

GROUP B: Nth Bankstown 13, Southern Dists 12, Gladesville 11, Ku-ring-gai 11, Melita 10, Avala 10, Baulkham Hills 8, Central Coast 7, Manly 3, Sydney Croatia 3.

GROUP C: Sydney City 18, Blacktown 16, Macarthur 12, Campbelltown 12, Canterbury 11, Bankstown 10, Rockdale 9, Bathurst 4, Yugal 2.

UNDER 14

GROUP A: Sydney Olympic 18, St George 17, Apia 12, Marconi 10, Nepean 6, Sutherland 6, Canterbury-M'ville 6, Illawarra 5, Blacktown City 5, Granville 3.

GROUP B: Nth Bankstown 14, Melita 16, Nth Bankstown 14, Gladesville 12, Avala 9, Central Coast 8, Ku-ring-gai 8, Baulkham Hills 8, Manly 5, Southern Dists 4, Sydney Croatia 4.

GROUP C: Rockdale 18, Macarthur 14, Bankstown 13, Sydney City 10, Yugal 10, Canterbury 9, Blacktown 6, Campbelltown 6, Bathurst 6.

UNDER 15

GROUP A: Sydney Olympic 14, Illawarra 12, St George 12, Nepean 11, Apia 11, Marconi 9, Blacktown City 9, Sutherland 7, Canterbury-M'ville 3, Granville 2.

GROUP B: Nth Bankstown 14, Melita 13, Gladesville 12, Southern Dists 9, Avala 9, Manly 8, Central Coast 8, Sydney Croatia 7, Baulkham Hills 5, Ku-ring-gai 3.

GROUP C: Sydney City 17, Macarthur 16, Blacktown 16, Canterbury 12, Campbelltown 11, Bankstown 10, Rockdale 5, Bathurst 4, Yugal 3.

UNDER 16

GROUP A: Nepean 14, Marconi 13, Apia 13, St George 12, Canterbury-M'ville 9, Sydney Olympic 9, Blacktown City 9, Illawarra 5, Sutherland 2, Granville 2.

GROUP B: Manly 15, Avala 14, Ku-ring-gai 12, Gladesville 11, Melita 9, Sydney Croatia 8, Southern Dists 7, Central Coast 7, Nth Bankstown 5, Baulkham Hills 0.

GROUP C: Sydney City 18, Canterbury 16, Bathurst 14, Rockdale 10, Blacktown 9, Bankstown 8, Yugal 7, Campbelltown 6, Macarthur 6.

SYDNEY CITY'S COACHING TEAM

SYDNEY CITY is a club that is doing it right when it comes to putting its Youth League act together.

Once the club's senior unit was a greater importer of talent. Today most of the players come through the ranks.

Backing up this effort is the Youth League and the junior club.

Paul Bayutti, the former NSL club secretary, is doing a sterling job with the Youth League.

Sydney City has brought together an outstanding group of coaches.

Former Polonia star and Polish professional Kaz Kulak takes the U16.

He points with pride to the job being done by striker George Keukounaris, who scored nine goals in the first seven games.

Also looking the part are central midfielder Antony Schilling, sweeper Sean Scott and left-back

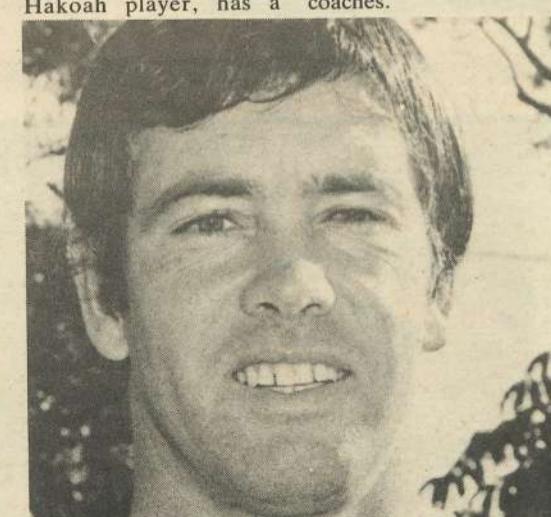
Mike Ryan. Les Bihari is a very talented goalkeeper.

Ricky Samboli, a left midfielder of great potential, may be off to Italy at the end of the year.

Keith Jones, an ex-Hakoah player, has a

strong U15 group, and Gary Dorrodale is soldiering on well with the U14 boys.

The U13 side is handled by John Doyle, a player who needs no introduction in the ranks of junior coaches.



JOHN DOYLE

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BARBARA WEBSTER (above) displays grace and elegance on the ball for Northern NSW.

At last year's National Titles in Canberra, Barbara greatly impressed with her intelligent style of play in midfield for the "Black and Whites".

In fact, she was selected in the national train-on squad by coach Jim Selby but was most unlucky not to make the cut-off for the tour to Taiwan.

She is definitely national team material.

BELOW: Barbara is pictured with Liverpool's Australian star, Craig Johnston.



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SENIOR TITLES AT BOX HILL

VICTORIA will welcome representative teams from nine states and territories to the senior National Championships.

The series will be played at the Wembley Park Ground at Box Hill from August 28 to September 6.

Betty Hoare, former Australian Women's Soccer Association secretary, is the organiser for the series in which Australia's leading women footballers will compete.

Last year's National Championships, held at Hawker Oval, Canberra, and eventually won by Susan Monteath's Queensland Maroons, was one of the best championships ever staged.

The Nationals also provides an excellent opportunity for Australia's new coach Fred Robins to check out candidates for selection in the national squad.

One particular position of vital importance and concern to Robins is the goalkeeper's spot.

This follows the serious pre-season injury to Killarney's custodian and Women's World Cup No 1 choice, Vicki Salmon.

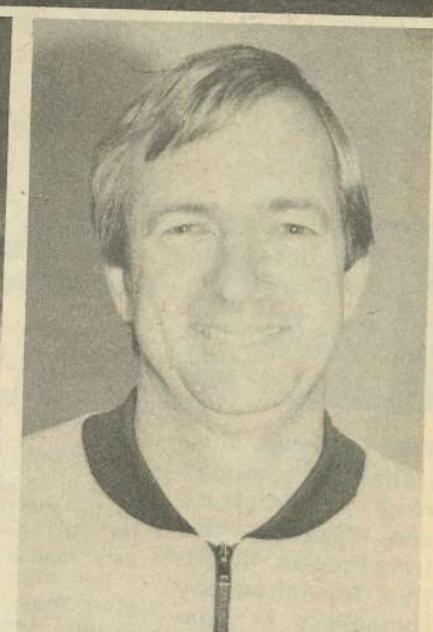
Vicki was sidelined before the season commenced when she had an operation on the medial and lateral ligaments in her knee.



SUSAN MONTEATH of Queensland.



COLETTE FITZPATRICK: NSW U17 coach.



DAVID WADSWORTH: NSW U15 coach.

COLETTE COVERS GROUND

NSW Under 17 team coach Colette Fitzpatrick is trying to unearth the best possible players for the Australian Championships.

The series will be held at Wentworth Park, Hobart, from July 9 to 14.

Colette has been checking out players in Albury as well as on the NSW South Coast and in Sydney.

Under 15 coach David Wadsworth has arranged for the use of Ireland Park, Memorial Ave, Liverpool, for his team's trials, as well as for the U17s if required.

The ground is well lighted for night play and the games will be scheduled for every second Friday night.

Competing associations will be Liverpool, Holyroyd, Blacktown, Northern Beaches and possibly Gladesville-Hornsby.

Wendy Thomas, from the strong Seven Hills club in Sydney, is the NSW team manager.

MOVING AROUND NORTHERN NSW

THE Northern NSW Women's Amateur Soccer Federation covers a lot of ground, so that when the officials meet they could come from as far north as Alstonville, Byron Bay and Lismore, down to Woy Woy and Tascott.

Or for that matter, out to Tamworth and Armidale.

Recent meetings have been held at the Wauchope RSL, just up the road from Port Macquarie.

The next meeting will be held at Lismore.

more, when the state titles are on over the Queen's Birthday weekend.

Then for the AGM in November, it is down to the Northern NSW Soccer Federation headquarters at Adamstown in Newcastle.

Six associations have entered the 1985 senior State Championships in Lismore.

They are Far North Coast, Armidale UNE, Macquarie, Central Coast, Newcastle and Tamworth.

In Under 17, it is all



bar newcomers Newcastle, whilst the teams in Under 15 are Armidale, Central Coast and Macquarie.

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WRITS ISSUED PAOLO IN AUSTRIA'S TROUBLE ECLIPSE BY PLAYERS

WEST GERMANY's World Cup goalkeeper Sepp Meier's recently-published book "Who Kisses Me?" has caused a storm in European football.

In it, Meier reveals saucy details about what star players get up to then they're playing away from home — and not just on the pitch.

Great players like Franz Beckenbauer, Uli Hoeness and Paul Breitner are mentioned in connection with ladies of the night and beautiful girlfriends.

Hoeness is suing for a lot of marks. In fact, there are a lot of writs flying about.

Even the author is suing the publishers because he claims he did not write this alleged autobiography.

The publishers claim Meier received the manuscript and returned it without any corrections.

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TWO officials of Czech club Brno have been put in jail after being charged with attempts to bribe players to throw matches.

Brno's secretary has been given eight months and the club president got 15 months.

USA
OUT
OF
CUP

COSTA RICA ended the USA's World Cup ambitions when they pulled off a surprise 1-0 win in Torrance, California.

Only goal of the game went to Evisto Coronado after 34 minutes.

The USA thought they had equalised when Dan Carter appeared to score a goal 20 minutes from the end and, though the referee gave the goal, one of his linesmen persuaded him that the shot had gone through the side-netting!

The USA team required only a draw to get through the World Cup group but it was beyond them.

The last time they qualified for the Cup was in 1950 when they produced a shock win against the 100 to 1 favourites, England, in Belo Horizonte.

Costa Rica have never qualified but they now go into a last elimination group against Honduras and Canada for the right to play in Mexico next year.

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THAT amazing soccer character, Paolo Mantovani, president of Italy's Sampdoria club, is in more trouble.

Mantovani, who lives in Monte Carlo to keep well clear of Italian police, is undergoing investigation of his business affairs.

He faces charges of smuggling, counterfeit, bribery, criminal association and illegal oil shipments.

The Sampdoria president often goes to home matches by powerboat and sits on the terraces with the fans, wearing his disguise of false beard and glasses!

THERE was a time — only people with long memories will remember it — when Austrian football was the greatest in the world, but times have changed.

Rapid Vienna's appearance in the Cup Winners Cup Final, when they were well beaten by Everton, was only the second time an Australian club had appeared in any European final.

The previous time was seven years ago when Austria WAC were humiliated 4-0 by Anderlecht in the Cup Winners Cup.

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RUSH TO BUY ISLAND LAND

Fancy a shady spot on a sub-tropical island... Well, it isn't the impossible dream. And the island isn't at the other end of the earth. In fact, it's water taxi away from Redland Bay on Brisbane's southern fringes. Macleay Island, six kilometres long and one-and-a-half kilometres wide, is the belle of the bays that bite along the coast of southern Queensland. Right now building blocks are going for between \$9975 and \$35,600. These days that's a reasonable price to pay for an island lifestyle little more than thirty minutes from the capital of the Sunshine State in one direction and the glitter of the Gold Coast in another direction. One of the keys to development on Macleay has been Keith Warwick. He heads up Queensland Acreage and Land Sales. The island, he admits, was a bit of a "find". Where else, he asks, could a body rest easy on an island not too far from city lights and airline flights.

Without doubt, Macleay is a natural beauty wrapped round by the bay waters that provide a ready-made marine playground for boaters and fishermen. Its quiet coves offer safe near year-round swimming and there's some surf worth sampling, too.

The whole island has been professionally surveyed. Roads, electricity, and underground water supplies are in place. In fact, most of the essential services arrived before the new settlers.

A school bus connects with a water taxi that serves the island's youngsters — but the daily "voyage" to school — while fun — won't be a feature of island life for much longer. Work started on the construction of a school during March.

Just over the water from Macleay there's Redland Shire — one of the fastest growing "lifestyle" developments in Queensland... within easy reach via the island's ferry service.

Redland Shire, for the record, is home to the new Raby Bay Canal Development. That particular development takes in a new marina and a huge shopping complex.

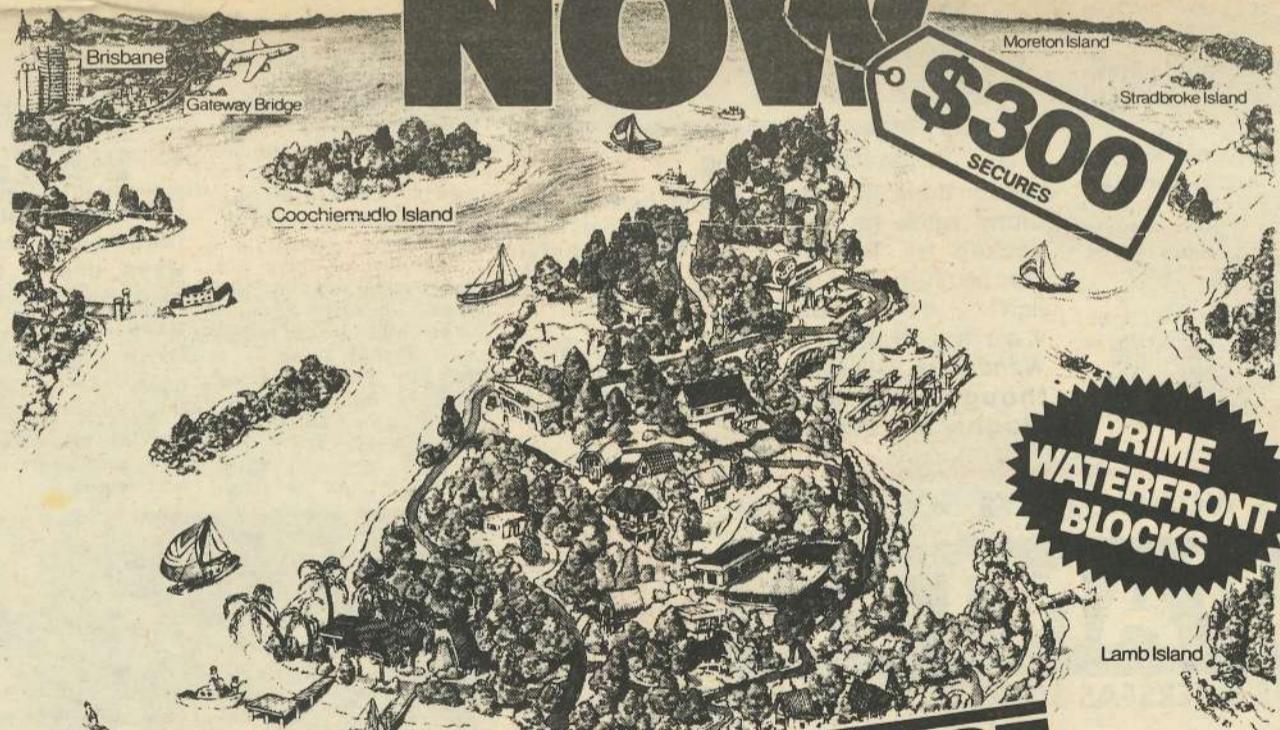
So what is Keith Warwick, through Queensland Acreage and Land Sales, offering?

"I guess we're offering a terrific way of life and a great investment opportunity rolled into one... a place with all the facilities you associate with city living. Moving to this particular island doesn't mean you have to do without the telephone, the shops, a good local service station," he said.

"Then there's the location of Macleay. No doubt about it, island block buyers will just have to pick up on their property values as the mainland development just over the water continues.

"I'd go so far as to say that Redland Bay and the surrounding area is set to become the new paradise for fun activities. Logically Macleay will become an off-shore — but not too far off-shore — millionaires' retreat in the years ahead."

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COPPELL ENJOYS THE JOB

STEVE COPPELL, team manager of Crystal Palace, had more problems than most football people with his side struggling in the Second Division, but he has young shoulders on which to carry the load.

At 29, Coppell, the brilliant former Manchester United and England winger, is the youngest manager in England.

He admits: "Life is different after the years of success but I am still enjoying it. But I'd be happier if I could find a millionaire to buy some players."

PSST . . . WANNA PLAY FOR ENGLAND?

THERE are plenty of international players in England from the most unlikely places.

For instance, John Chedozie plays for Nigeria; Bruce Grobbelaar represents Zimbabwe and Rachid Harkouk plays for Algeria.

Now a midfielder with Wimbledon, Laurie Sanchez, wants to join the list and hopes to be picked for Ecuador!

Sanchez's dad was born there.

If he cannot attract Ecuador's interest, he'll be happy to play for Northern Ireland . . . which is where his mother was born.

But if the worst comes to the worst, Sanchez, a Cockney born in Lambeth, can always play for England.

PRYTZ WANTS NEW CONTRACT

ROBERT PRYTZ, the Swedish midfield star, wants his position clarified with Glasgow Rangers.

Prytz is on a month-to-month contract with the Glasgow club but he says he needs something more secure.

Signed by Rangers from Malmö three years ago for \$160,000, it took Prytz a long time to adapt to the Scottish style of football, but his performances late in the season were outstanding at a time when Rangers could do little right.

Irish international John McClelland, like Prytz, was only on a short-term agreement with Rangers and fans have not forgiven the club for letting him get away. They will be angry if the Swede also leaves.

Prytz says: "Every game is important for three reasons — keeping my place in Sweden's World Cup



ROBERT PRYTZ (white shirt)

squad, showing Rangers I am worth a better contract, and let-

ting other clubs know I might be worth buying."

NO LUCK FOR DOC

JIM BARRON didn't think it was funny when he was sacked as Tommy Docherty's assistant at Wolverhampton Wanderers — even though The Doc laughs at every-

thing.

Barron took his case to an industrial tribunal, claiming unfair dismissal and was awarded \$7,500 compensation.

That blow to Wolves happened just when the team was being relegated to Third Division.

ALLEN STILL HOPES

IT has been a frustrating season for Tottenham Hotspur centre-forward Clive Allen, who has been getting treatment for injury almost since he joined the club.

Indeed, Allen has not kicked a ball for Spurs in 1985.

But, despite this, Allen is determined to win a place in England's squad for the World Cup in Mexico.

"If I play 50 games next season and dodge injury, I should collect around 25 goals. That might make Bobby Robson notice me."

Trouble is, there are many strikers in the queue ahead of Allen.

It has been suggested that there is a bigger reservoir of striking talent in England now than for many years.

Team manager Robson can call on play-

LEICESTER FIND TOP GOALIE

LEICESTER CITY claim they produce the best goalkeepers in Britain and, considering Gordon Banks and Peter Shilton are ex-Leicester men, who would argue?

Now they say they have another future international Filbert Street. His name is Ian Andrews and, at 20, he looks a star in the making.

"Naturally I'm very flattered to be mentioned in the same breath as Banks and Shilton," said Ian, because they don't come any better than those two.

"I didn't see Banks play, but Shilton was, and still is, my idol. I have only one aim in life — to be as good as Peter Shilton."

SPONSOR PULLS OUT

CHELSEA's thug supporters have killed a sponsorship deal which would have netted the club nearly \$2,000,000.

A Japanese electronics company was all set to give Chelsea the

money over the next three years — until the Chelsea v Sutherland Milk Cup semi-final.

At that match, the hooligans behaved abominably and the would-be sponsors were sitting in the stand.

They decided not to go ahead with the deal.

OVER HIS OP

TREVOR SENIOR was a prolific goalscorer with Reading until he was forced to have a cartilage operation.

When he was leading the Third Division scorers early in the season, Newcastle United sent chief scout Maurice Setters to Reading to assess his talent.

At the end of the season, Senior was back in action and you may be sure the talent scouts will be on his trail next season.

WATFORD have been trying to sign Brian Talbot from Arsenal for six months but it now seems the long waiting game is over.

Talbot is set to move to Vicarage Road even though Watford will have to find \$400,000 to get him.

RANGERS striker Ted McMinn decided to do some home decorating but his effort has put him out of football for some time.

McMinn was decorating his new flat in Glasgow when he dropped a tin of paint and it broke his foot!



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